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RE: "Four more sentences in the largest immigration fraud case in British Columbia history."

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants, I want to provide some information that may be helpful in your future releases on issues involving immigration fraud.

The CBSA news release entitled "Four more sentences in the largest immigration fraud case in British Columbia history," dated September 15, 2017, applies the term "unlicensed immigration consultants" to describe the criminals involved in the case.

We feel that the term "unauthorized representatives" may be more appropriate, as the term "authorized representatives" is used by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada and it appears throughout the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (IRPA). The Law Society of Upper Canada also uses the term "unauthorized practitioners," which is broader but nevertheless denotes a nonprofessional, unlike the word "consultant."

The Canadian Association of Professional Immigration Consultants fully supports the successful resolution of this case, and the work of the CBSA and law enforcement agencies in bringing the perpetrators to justice. I hope the above information is helpful to your coverage of this important issue.

Yours Truly,

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